Miss Cece Caldwell

To Speak At Forum On Arthritis

Central Virginia Branch of The Arthritis Foundation is having a Forum Friday, January 28th at 8 p.m. at the Virginia Baptist Hospital Auditorium in Lynchburg.

The program will feature Miss Cece Caldwell...former professional singer, guitarist, and pianist and currently Special Representative for The Arthritis Foundation. She will be speaking on her experiences with corrective surgery in arthritis. No admission charge. Medical personnel will be on hand to answer your questions.

Miss Caldwell, 29, attended Goucher College in Baltimore, Md. for pre-medical studies. Having been afflicted with rheumatoid arthritis since she was 12 years old, Miss Caldwell has had 13 operations to repair or replace damaged joints of her body. "I've had 13 operations all together just to put me back together. I know I can't go on forever . . ." said Miss Caldwell.

Currently she is a Special Representative for The Arthritis Foundation and serves as a national spokeswoman to inform and educate the public about the scope and severity of arthritis, the nation's No. 1 crippling disease. She has traveled across the U. S. to counsel patients facing joint replacement surgery similar to her own. She had served as an Arthritis Foundation volunteer for more than four years before joining the national staff.

"The Arthritis Foundation is the only national voluntary health agency seeking the total answer: cause, cure and prevention of arthritis," says Miss Caldwell. "That makes it the only hope for me and 20 million other victims in America."

The forum is open to the public.

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Father Darkleat

BY CALVIN ROBINSON

And men will tell their children,
When other memories fade,
How cold it was in '77
And the struggle that we made.

Wednesday, Feb. 2, Groundhog day. Those who believe in the weather forecasting ability of the venerable woodchuck will decide what to expect for the next six weeks. As for me, I will not venture out to locate a groundhog and check on shadows. If'n you see me out early, it is to see if my car will start and I can get to the newsstand and post office. A salute to all those who have kept essential activities and jobs going during this cold spell. And everyone is trying to wear extra garments to keep warm. I have on two sweaters, and I found a pair of heavy corduroy trousers. My observation is that we are in a period of mutural cooperation and everyone is going the second mile to tide us over a cold winter.

And lest we compain, how about the folks in places like Buffalo, N.Y., with eleven feet of snow and more falling. No time to "Shuffle Off to Buffalo" as a popular song title suggested. Most popular vehicle around is the fuel oil truck. I have chinked around all doors and windows, hung extra blankets over drafty windows and even stuffed some paper into the keyhole of the basement door. My favorite food in cold weather is a bowl of hot soup. In the midst of it all, received yet another seed catalog this morning. But you cannot harvest hot peppers or hot tamales overnight. My garden looks like what the late Adm. Dick Byrd must have found at the poles.

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Feb. 1. On this date Texas seceded from the Union in 1861. Matthew Fontaine Maury died in Lexington Feb. 1, 1873. Sidney Lanier, the great Southern poet, was born Feb. 3, 1842 and Confederate General Albert Sidney Johnston was born Feb. 3,1803.

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Heavens to Betsy, My Den has been sealed off and I moved the typewriter this morning to a spot over the basement space heater vent, hoping said typewriter would "get hot," But the thermostat stayed at 65. Thanks to Governor Godwin for trying to keep the State comfortable and necessary services in business. Our living room thermometer was in the middle fifties this morning but is now at the aforesaid 65. I have seen evidence that many people with wood heaters are using them, and I imagine the same with fireplaces. All my eggs are in one basket, fuel oil heat.

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Despite many cancellations, sports activities continue. Hot, test basketball team in the State just now is VMI, with a long string of victories. Hope ACHS teams make the tournaments.

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Latest casualty is my living room TV set. Dispite expert efforts, it was taps for an old soldier. But I left it in place, for "auld lang syne". Years ago I purchased Appomatto's first TV set, and it reposes in my basement, and my next set is in a corner of My Den. I am lucky in that a smaller bedroom TV still works.

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Good time to read every page of your home newspaper and keep up with events in this fast-moving period of history.

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Thanks for reading, and seeya next week.

Career Education At ACHS

Guest speakers at Career Assembly last Thursday were (left to right) Mr. Dallas Wade, President of Central Virginia Industries; Laurie Selz, a Junior at ACHS; and Mrs. Lucy Spencer, Supervisor, Virginia Employment Commission.

Consultants Confer with Juniors - Left to right, Mr. Walter Carson, Director of Personnel, Appomattox Garment Company, and Mr. J. F. Dorety, Assistant Director Transmark Corportations talk with Marzetta Hodnett, Junior at ACHS.

Industrial Directors of Personnel Services Consultants - left to right, Mr. George Thompson, Babcock & Wilcox; Mr. W. H. Puryear, Lynchburg Foundry; Mrs. Kathy Kibler, First Colony Life Insurance; Mr. William Cooper, Virginia Fibre Corporation; Mrs. K. B. Justis, Lynchburg Foundry; Mrs. D. J. Henderson, Limitorque Corporation; Mr. Walter Carson, Appomattox Garment Company; and Mr. J. F. Dorety, Transmark Corporation.

Employment Workshop Held at ACHS

To aid in the search for jobs and to bring new insights into what a personnel manager looks for in a prospective employee, a program "Opportunities In Business and Industry", was held on Thursday, January 27, 1977 at Appomattox County High School for juniors. Guest speakers at the general session held in the auditorium were Mrs. Lucy Spencer, Supervisor at Virginia Employment Commission and Mr. Dallas Wade, President of Central Virginia Industries.

Main ideas expressed by the speakers were that the Central Virginia area has a diversity of industries and good positions in the professional, managerial, technical, and engineering fields, however, the technical and engineering applicants are few. Juniors were told to continue their education beyond high school and in selecting a major to consider the present demand for technical and engineering jobs. Career planning is important, consider your interests, your abilities, and training. Group sessions were held with directors of personnel from seven industries in this area. They were Mr. George Thompson, Babcock & Wilcox; Mr. J. F. Dorety, Transmark Corporation; Mrs. Kathy Kibler, First Colony Life Insurance Company; Mr. William Cooper, Virginia Fibre Corporaton; Mrs. D. J. Henderson, Limitorque Corporation; Mr. Walter Carson, Appomattox Garment company; and Mr. W. H. Puryear and Mrs. K. B. Justis, Lynchburg Foundry.

Important information from each consultant was to consider job requirements and how well you meet them, know what you expect from a job, prepare for an interview, know how to write a letter of application, know why people fail to get jobs, and why they lose jobs.

Teachers who served as group leaders were Mrs. Edwina Covington, Mrs. Harriette Beasley, and Mrs. Julia Coffman of the English Department; Mrs. Celia Beamer of the Business Department; Mr. Albert Carter and Mrs. William Perrow of the Agricultural Department; and Mr. Jack Hutcheson of Distributive Education Department. Juniors who served as guides were Brenda Bowling, Walker Covington, Robert Dyess, Beth Smoak, Marzetta Hodnett, Bernice McIvor, Laurie Selz, and Anthony Johnson.

The Guidance Counselors, Mrs. Harriett James and Mrs.

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Parents Invited To Discussion On Student Registration

Parents of students in the present 8, 9, 10, and 11th grades in Appomattox County Schools are invited to participate in a discussion pertaining to course offerings for the 1977-78 school session as scheduled below:

Mon., Feb. 7, 1977- 9:05- 9:55 a.m.-Aud., ACHS, 11th Grade; 10:00 - 10:50 a.m. - Auditorium, ACHS - 10th Grade; 10:55 - 11:45 a.m. - Auditorium, ACHS - 9th Grade; and 2:10 - 3:05 p.m. - Cafeteria, AMS - 8th Grade

Monday Night, Feb. 7, 1977 - 8 p.m. - Library, ACHS - 8-11.

The purpose of these meetings is to familiarize parents and students with the course offerings that will be available for the school year 1977-78. Also registration procedures will be explained. Personnel from the schools and the school board staff will be present for the discussion and answer questions relating to the subject areas. It is hoped that every parent will plan to attend one of the discussion meetings that has been planned.

Registration for courses by students for the next school year is to begin Monday, February 7, and end on Monday, February 14. Guidance counselors in the Appomattox Middle School and Appomattox County High School will then, through personal and group sessions, aid students in their course selections for their high school years. "It is very important that parents be familiar with the many course offerings that are available, and be in a position to help their children in the selection", explained Mr. Lloyd Walton, superintendent of schools. Final registration is to be completed by April and further changes in courses will not be made unless it has been determined that there are unusual circumstances. The choices of subjects will be used to schedule classes and to determine staff needs fo the 1977-78 school year.

Park Announces Closings

Appomattox Court House National Historical Park will be closed on Monday and Tuesday of each week through February 12 in cooperation with Governor Godwin's Emergency Executive Order.

The public will be kept informed of further operating schedule changes.

REMINDER

A reminder to all Town of Pamplin automobile owners..... town automobile tags are now being purchased.

Please get yours if you have not already done so.

Cold Weather Adds Problems

Pamplin's Water System In Critical Need Of Improvement

Pamplin residents came very close to a fate that has befallen several other Virginia communities during recent severe winter weather when a pipe froze and knocked out the town's water system for a few of its residents last week.

Mayor J. A. Williams said the pipe leading from one of the two privately owned wells that supplies water to about half of the town's population froze, but the few residents that were affected were able to get water from a neighbor.

Williams said that so far Pamplin has been lucky and he hopes this luck holds out as the Pamplin Town Council continues to try, for the third time, to get federal funds to upgrade the water system.

Williams said he understands the town barely missed receiving the needed funds from the Economic Development Administration. Pamplin's applicaton was second in line to be approved when funds ran out and they are hoping Congress will appropriate additional antirecession funds.

As part of its program to stimulate the economy, $4 billion for emergency public works programs and $1.2 billion in antirecession revenue sharing help to state and local governments has been proposed by the Carter administration.

Pamplin Town Council is also hoping for a Department of Housing and Urban Development grant to correct the town's water supply problems.

More than half the town, including the school and several churches, depends on the two privately owned wells for their water at this time.

These wells did not begin as public water systems, but as the community grew their owners allowed any neighbor who wished to connect to the two-inch galvanized pipe until the present situation developed.

The mayor says that private wells to replace this system are not practical because many of the lots are too small to comply with state law that wells must be 100 feet from septic systems.

Williams said the town hopes to have an answer from their HUD application by the middle of this month. They can only hope for good news because the situation could get worse at any time.

Businesses Comply With Governor's Order

Area businesses quickly took action in Appomattox County to bring hours of operation into compliance with Governor Mills E. Godwin, Jr.'s state of emergency order issued Saturday.

In the emergency broadcast carried statewide, Governor Godwin ordered that all businesses be prohibited from operating more than forty hours a week and required them to keep thermostats at 65° or under.

The order applies only to retail establishments. Industries will only be required to turn thermostats back to 65° level.

School Board Sets Meeting For Feb. 10

The Appomattox County School Board will meet in regular session in the Board Room on Main Street on Thursday, February 10th.

Items on the agenda will include the adoption of revised school board policies relative to special education, report from the Appomattox County Education Association, report from school principal, review of Virginia School Census, re-consideration of a previous decision regarding use of ETV Program, Self, Incorporated, consideration of proposed school calendar changes, review of staff development activities, 1976-77, superintendent's report, approval of easement to school property at Appomattox Primary School, and student orientation and registration program.

The Governor said the order did not apply to homes, drug stores, hospitals, hotels and motels and places of lodging, public utilities, transportation terminals and gasoline stations within three miles of interstate highways.

Following the order issued Saturday, business management in Appomattox County took immediate action. Below is a listing of some of the major business concerns in our area and the hours they have posted to operate.

Wilburn's Supermarket will open Monday through Thursday from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. and on Friday and Saturday will be open from noon until 8 p.m. Kings Market will be open from 1 p.m. until 7 p.m. Monday through Saturday and from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday. The Parkway Grocery will be open from 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. on Monday, from 2:30 p.m. until 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday, from noon until 7:30 p.m. on Thursday, from 11 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. on Friday, from 11:30 a.m. until 8:30 p.m. on Saturday and will be closed on Sunday.

Marshall's Department Store will open at 10:30 a.m. and remain open until 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and will be open from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday and Saturday. Super Dollar Store will be open Mondy through Wednesday from noon until 5 p.m., from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Thursday, from 11 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Friday, from 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday, and from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Best Furniture Company will be open from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday and will be closed all day on Wednesday

Appomattox Hardware Company will be open Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. until 3 p.m. and from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. on Saturday. For the old business a telephone will be maintained each day of the week. Simply through for advice, to take orders for oil heating service and delivery. Phone 352-7141, 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. Poe Hardware Company will open 9 a.m. until 4:15 p.m. Monday through Friday and 9 a.m. until noon on Saturday. The saw shop will open from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Friday.

Appomattox Truck & Tractor, Inc. and Webb's Tire Company both will open from 9 a.m. until 4 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Friday, and from 8 a.m. until noon on Saturday.

Lawson Ford, Inc. will operate from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. on Monday, from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. Tuesday through Friday, and from 8 a.m. until noon on Saturday. Moses Motor Company will be open at 8:30 a.m. and close at 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday and will be closed all day Saturday.

Local gasoline stations and restaurants will be operating at various hours during the week. You will at all times be able to find a place to eat out and to buy gasoline.

It is impossible to contact every business in the county, however, we feel the above information will be of interest. The hours listed will apply until

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Fuel Oil Shortage Felt In County

Keep your thermostats turned down to 65 degrees or lower if you can and hope for the best.

That is the feeling we get when talking with four of Appomattox County's fuel oil distributors. If you have any means of supplementing your heating system you should be doing so as much as possible in order to conserve every drop of fuel oil possible.

Appomattox Oil Company is receiving at least 60 to 70 calls each day for fuel oil and now are only delivering 100 gallons per customer at one time. As of Tuesday of this week, Appomattox Oil Company had no fuel oil in storage but hoped to be getting a supply in by Wednesday or Thursday. C. Lewis McDearmon told us he is now answering his phone by saying "Appomattox & NO OIL Company." The 100-gallon per customer delivery is quite costly to the oil company.

A.R. Harwood, Jr., Appomattox Hardware Company, reports that distributors are on allocation. On the last day of January, Monday, they were about ten days behind normal delivery. So far no customers have run out of fuel oil but toward the end of February if the supply becomes short again, as is expected, they will have to allocate fuel oil to customers in order to keep oil in the tanks of all their customers. Mr. Harwood urges everyone, not just his customers, to conserve fuel in every way possible as the situation is expected to get worse.

Parkway Fuel Company so far has not been without oil and they feel very lucky. This distributor supplies approximately 800 to 1000 customers in our area and to date they have not had to put anyone on allocation. However, they feel the situation in our state is critical and their supply could run out at any time.

Tolley's Fuel Oils in Pamplin have oil right now and so far have been able to service all their customers. This distributor feels that February looks grim and that possibly they will run out. Normally they service approximately 300 to 400 customers. In the month of January they were able to make some emergency stops, supplying oil to older persons and to some businesses that would have run out without their assistance.

Conserving fuel oil, as well as electricity, natural gas, and all utilities, and conserving it now seems to be the only answer.

Rabies Clinic Set For Friday

A rabies clinic for dog vaccinations will be held on Friday, February 5, 1977 from 11 a.m. until 12 noon at the Appomattox Animal Hospital located on Route 460 West of Appomattox.

A fee of $3.00 will be charged for each dog that is vaccinated.

In the event of cancellation due to weather conditions, a make up clinic will be held on Tuesday, February 8th from 2 to 4 p.m. at the Appomattox Animal Hospital.

MONROE LODGE SETS MEETING

Monroe Lodge #301 AF & AM will hold a stated meeting on Feb. 7, 1977 at 8 p.m.

R. G. Holt is Worshipful Master.

Crumbs For Thought

By Zeke:

The late great humorist Will Rodgers used to say, "All I know is what I read in the newspaper." I read this in the newspaper: "The Lord's Prayer has 56 words. The Ten Commandments has 297. The Declaration of Independence has 300. A recent government order setting the price of cabbage has 26,911 words." Often we get words when we ask for help. The Lord answered Job out of a whirlwind: "Who is this that darkeneth counce! by words without knowledge?" Job 38:2.

Concord Vol. Fire Dept. Elects Officers

Concord Volunteer Fire Department recently elected officers for the new year.

Rev. Frank Cooper will serve as President for the 1977 year. Other officers will be Richard Carroll, Vice President; Jim Goodwin, Secretary; and Kenneth Franklin, Treasurer.

Carrington Martin has been elected Chief; Wayne Burge is 1st Assistant Chief; Wimpy Martin is 2nd Chief; Tom Shupe, Captain; Gerald Inge, Lieutenant; and Mike Beane is Chaplain.

Members of the Concord Fire Department were quite busy in 1975, responding to a total of 133 fire calls and spending 1648 manhours on duty.

Members, due to the extremen cold, recommend that citizens be very cautious with heating units, more so with supplementary units that may have not been used for heating for some time.

Adult Education Classes Cancelled

All adult education classes in the Appomattox County School System have been cancelled, effective Monday, January 31 - Thursday, February 11. This cancellation is the result of a proclamation made by the Governor of Virginia to conserve energy. Classes that were affected include cake decoration, typing, adult basic, GED Review class, woodworking, bricklaying, sewing, farm machinery repair at both the Appomattox Middle School and the Pamplin shop, physical education classes for both men and women, and the adult farmer class at Pamplin.

Registration that had been announced as continuing through the week of January 31 will now be rescheduled for the week of February 14. Anyone who have not registered for a class but would like to enroll may register for a class by calling R. B. Carter, Coordinator of Adult Education, at 352-8253. It is anticipated that classes will resume the week of February 14, but please watch the Roanoke Virginian and radio station announcements for further information.

Emergency Fund

The Department of Social Services is accepting donations to help meet the needs of Appomattox County Citizens as of this time of emergency due to the extreme cold weather.

Meeting Cancelled

The February meeting of the Appomattox County Historical Society has been cancelled.